

## COMMUNITY POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION POLICY RECOMMENDATION

### RPD Policy and Procedures 2.23 P Modify Wording to Address Intentional Omissions in Reporting

The Community Police Review Commission recently reviewed a complaint alleging that an officer improperly omitted information from a police report. The Commission found that the officer properly performed the required reporting. However, in reading the applicable Policy section, the Commission noted that the present wording does not address intentional omissions in reporting:

RPD Policy Section 2.23, Rules of Conduct, Subsection (P): "Intentionally falsifying records by diligently entering, or causing to be entered, any inaccurate misleading, or incorrect information in the preparation of official reports, recordings, records, logs, time cards, or other documents."

#### **Policy Recommendation:**

The Commission suggests that the policy be modified to include intentional omissions as possible conduct violations. An appropriately modified policy statement might read:

RPD Policy Section 2.23, Rules of Conduct, Subsection (P): "Intentionally falsifying records by diligently entering, or causing to be entered, any inaccurate misleading, or incorrect information, *or by intentionally omitting or causing to be omitted any necessary, critical, or pertinent information* in the preparation of official reports, recordings, records, logs, time cards, or other documents."

The Commission believes that intentional report omissions may form the basis for conduct rule violations in the same manner as intentional report inclusions.

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